



Elementary Health Adoption December 11, 2017

MINUTES

In attendance: Don Dalziel; Chrisy Francescutti; Jessica Finger (Director of Food Services); Mickey Telling; Silje Sodal; Susan Goldman; Jan Pembroke;

Presentation from publisher:

The Great Body Shop (Susan Martin)

- Comprehensive health education
- In business for 35 yrs
- Family participation – community newsletter to send home – homework – extended activities
- Lessons online in Spanish and 4 other languages as needed
- Also products for vision/hearing impaired students
- Product arrives each month – 1 lesson each week for the school year (1 hour/week)
- Thematic/Comprehensive across the grade levels
- Spiraling allows the topics to be touched on multiple times
- Recommend be renewed about every 5 years
- Aligned with Wash. State Health Standards – system online that cks which standards have been met
- Meets criteria for Healthy Youth Act
- Current updates for Gender Equity
- Minimum of 4 core lessons/month but can be expanded
- Includes topics such as cyber safety....depression....
- Teacher Orientation – Technical Assistance – Parent meetings/support

Time was given to look at hard copies of all 3 curriculums.

Discussion:

Great Body Shop has improved its Human Sexuality piece

Like the 'take home' documents for discussion and understanding of what's being taught in the class. Flash did not have this piece.

McGraw Hill was more 'corporate'. Did not feel as complete with language issues and not as flexible for changing issues. Lots of info provided but not necessarily covering the topic.

McGraw Hill is "glossy" and the vocabulary and standards are really strong.

Student & Teacher Editions we've seen but there are additional teacher materials that were not presented. Too much material included for teachers to use. There is more flexibility with Great Body Shop for teachers to teach selected portions.

Great Body Shop's Growth and Development still does not have as much as Flash. Would recommend using parts of Flash/Know concurrently with Great Body Shop.

How long does it really take to teach these lessons? Jan combines it with Science (bones, lungs, etc). Visual learners need to be able to read/see product. Flash does not have the visual piece.

McGraw Hill last updated in 2014...no plans to update.

There was a recommendation to take McGraw Hill off the table. Thumbs up vote agreed.

Do teachers appreciate the flexibility to use Great Body Shop and Flash? Or is it more challenging to combine the two options? Its is a bit more challenging to use two different curriculums. But a small committee could create a guide on which parts from each would be best. More materials may allow for some things to get lost.

The videos from Flash are no longer available. Messages around relationships have changed and the videos were not valid.

It appears that only a couple topics are not covered in Great Body Shop that are covered in Flash.

Thumb vote was taken to make a recommendation to pilot Great Body Shop with Flash/Know supplemented for Human Sexuality portions. (specifically sexual exploitation and gender identity) – Thumb vote approved this next step.

Don will email Juli Annenberg & Mary Telstad. If they do not have strong objections to this recommendations, we will NOT need to meet again in January 22nd.

There will be a future meeting with teachers to discuss and pilot the recommendations.

It will be communicated back to this group the result of this pilot.